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Surgical Innovations Group Plc ("Surgical Innovations", the "Company" or the "Group")

### Directorate Change

## Surgical Innovations appoints Keyvan Djamarani as Independent Non-executive Director Nigel Rogers steps down, concluding the Board succession plan

Surgical Innovations Group Plc (AIM: SUN), the designer, manufacturer and distributor of innovative technology for minimally invasive surgery, announces that Keyvan Djamarani has been appointed as Independent Non-executive Director with immediate effect. This follows an extensive process led by an independent head-hunter. At the same time Nigel Rogers, who previously served time as Chair of the Company, will step down from the Board.

Keyvan has over 30 years' relevant experience, holding numerous leadership roles in product development within manufacturing organisations covering medical and pharmaceutical drug delivery devices. He has a track record of delivering increased sales, profitability and business critical programmes and projects. Most recently he spent over nine years as Managing Director/Business President at Bespak Europe, a medical and pharmaceutical drug delivery devices business. Keyvan began his career at Unilever working in their Detergents and Personal Products Divisions prior to joining Bespak. At Bespak, Keyvan held several roles across their European and North American divisions. Within this period, from 2002 to 2005, Keyvan was General Manager and President of Bespak Inc. and from 2010 to 2013, Keyvan became CEO of King Systems, an airways management business, encompassing design, development and manufacture of airway management products. Keyvan was most recently a Non-executive Director of CEME Ltd, a not-for-profit business enterprise operating on a 19-acre campus, home to over 100 engineering, technology and training businesses – a role he held for over 16 years.

As announced on 22 May 2023, Nigel Rogers will step down from the Board with immediate effect, concluding the final part of the planned Board succession process. Nigel joined the Board in 2015, bringing stability to the Company at a critical time.

**Chair of the Company, Jonathan Glenn, commented:** *"I would like to thank Nigel for the dedicated service he provided to Surgical Innovations over his eight-year tenure, bringing the Company safely through a number of significant challenges including the pandemic. His experience proved invaluable and his insight has always been appreciated by the Board and management.* 

"I am also delighted to welcome Keyvan to the Board. He has an excellent track record in the medical device sector and brings with him a broad and relevant skillset. His extensive operational experience will provide a wealth of expertise to the Board, affording valuable insight into the challenges of manufacturing as the Company undertakes a major efficiency drive to improve margins."

The following information is disclosed pursuant to Rule 17 and Schedule Two paragraph (g) of the AIM Rules for Companies:

Dr Keyvan Mehdi Djamarani (aged 62) is currently, or has during the past five years, been a director of the following companies:

Current directorships or partnerships	Previous directorships or partnerships
• n/a	Centre for Engineering and Manufacturing
	Excellence Ltd
	Bespak Europe Limited
	Integrated Aluminium Components Limited
	The Medical House Group Limited
	The Medical House Limited
	The Medical House Products Limited
	Medical House (ASI) Limited
	Hyperlyser Limited

Save as set out in this announcement there are no further details to be disclosed in accordance with Rule 17 and Schedule Two Paragraph (g) of the AIM Rule for Companies.

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### About Surgical Innovations Group plc

The Group specialises in the design, manufacture, sale and distribution of innovative, high quality medical products, primarily for use in minimally invasive surgery. Our product and business development is guided and supported by a key group of nationally and internationally renowned surgeons across the spectrum of minimally invasive surgical activity.

We design and manufacture and source our branded port access systems, surgical instruments and retraction devices which are sold directly in the UK home market through our subsidiary, Elemental Healthcare, and exported widely through a global network of trusted distribution partners. Many of our products in this field are based on a "resposable" concept, in which the products are part reusable, part disposable, offering a high quality and environmentally responsible solution at a cost that is competitive against fully disposable alternatives.

Elemental also has exclusive UK distribution for a select group of specialist products employed in laparoscopy, bariatric and metabolic surgery, hernia repair and breast reconstruction.

In addition, we design and develop medical devices for carefully selected OEM partners and have also collaborated with a major UK industrial partner to provide precision engineering solutions to complex problems outside the medical arena.

We aim for our brands to be recognised and respected by healthcare professionals in all major geographical markets in which we operate and provide by development, partnership or acquisition a broad portfolio of cost effective, procedure specific surgical instruments and implantable devices that offer reliable solutions to genuine clinical needs in the operating theatre environment.

# Further information

Further details of the Group's businesses and products are available on the following websites: <u>www.sigroupplc.com</u> <u>www.surginno.com</u> <u>www.elementalhealthcare.co.uk</u>

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